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SUBJ: JOINT WORKING GROUP MEDICAL COOPERATION (JWGMC) MTG. - AGENDA SUGGESTIONS

1. EMB, USAID AND NAMRU-3 SUGGEST FOLLOWING GENERAL SUBJECTS BE CONSIDERED FOR INCLUSION IN AGENDA OF JULY 11-14 JWGMC MTG.:
A. US/EGYPT HEALTH AGREEMENT - REVIEW OF SCOPE AND APPLICATION.
B. COMMODITY IMPORT PROGRAM - STATUS REVIEW.
C. FOREIGN MEDICAL GRADUATES - LICENSING AND TRAINING PROGRAMS. EFFECT OF US LEGISLATION (INFORM-ACTION ITEM).
D. AGREEMENTS ON TRAINING - SELECTION ARRANGEMENTS, FURTURE PROJECTIONS - PROGRAM STRUCTURAL ARRANGEMENTS.
E. HEALTH SUB-COMMITTEE PROGRAM REVIEWS.
F. ROLE OF BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH COMMITTEE WITH RESPECT TO RESEARCH APPROVALS (DISCUSSION ITEM RELATED TO A).
G. STATUS OF MEDICAL ACTIVITIES UNDER JOING WORKING GROUP TECHNOL-OGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AND RELATION TO JWGMC (E.G. NSF SUPPORTED ULTRA SOUND DIAGNOSIS, AND BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING PROJECTS. EPA HEALTHEFFECTS STUDIES).
WE FEEL THAT DISCUSSIONS OF HEALTH AGREEMENT, TRAINING ARRANGEMENTS. (INCLUDING SELECTION CRITERIA, SKILL PRIORITIES
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AND NEEDS PROJECTIONS), AND FMG ARE PARTICULARLY USEFUL.

2. WE HAVE INCREASING SIGNS THAT MOH IS ATTEMPTING TO USE HEALTH AGREEMENT TO FORCE ALL EGYPTIAN INSITITUTIONS WITH US COOPERATIVE PROGRAMS TO GET PRIOR MOH APPROVAL FOR PROJECTS. THIS HAS RESULTED IN AT LEAST ONE IMPASSE (BETWEEN MOH AND NAT. RESEARCH CENTER) INVOLVING AND ONR CONTRACT.

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3. WE WOULD LIKE TO REVIEW ANNUAL NUMERICAL PROJECTIONS
OF GRAINING NEEDS FOR EGYPTIANS EARLY IN YEAR TO ASSIST IN
PLANNING AND ALSO TO HAVE AGREED CIRTERIA FOR APPLICANT SELEC-
TION.

4. WE FEEL COMMITTEE WOULD BENEFIT FROM THOROUGH BREIFING ON
FMG STATUS. CONSUL AND SCIATT HAVE RECENTLY BEEN VISITED BY
IRATE EGYPTIAN MD'S WHO HAVE PAID AND BEEN ACCEPTED FOR JULY 27
ECFMG EXAM BUT PREVENTED FROM ATTENDING BY THEIR INSTITUTIONS
AND MOH BECAUSE "US GOV'T HAS CANCELLED ITS VALIDITY". WE HAVE
EXPLAINED ENTIRE SITUATION CAREFULLY AND IN DETAIL TO MIN.
BADRAN, BUT OBVIOUSLY SOMETHING HAS BEEN LOST AS STORY MOVES
THROUGH BUREAUCRACY.

5. WE STRONGLY FEEL THAT US SIDE OF JWGMC SHOULD MEET IN
ADVANCE OF MTG. TO GO OVER CONCERNS AND POSITIONS. WE ARE
WILLING TO MEET WITH AGENCY REPS SUNDAY, JULY 10,
IF IT CAN BE ARRANGED. WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS
AND SUGGESTIONS ON OUR PROPOSED AGENDA SOONEST SO WE CAN
DISCUSS WITH MOH.

6. PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST ON MGT SITE AND HOTEL. WE WILL
INFORM YOU OF GOE DELEGATION AS SOON AS WE HAVE NAMES.
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